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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

No. 96-1982

WILLIAM B. MATTINGLY,

Plaintiff - Appellant,

versus

REBECCA A. BETTS,

Defendant - Appellee,

and

DONALDSON MINING COMPANY; KELLY'S CREEK AND NORTHWESTERN RAILROAD, a corporation; VALLEY CAMP COAL COMPANY; DAVID LUNG; JACK WOODY; JAMES BOGGESS; KEVIN SPAULDING; JAMES L. LITMAN; HASTING CONSTRUCTION, INCORPORATED; JOHN HASTING; RENEGADE EQUIPMENT, INCORPORATED; JOSEPH FARRIS; KING, BETTS & ALLEN, a professional partnership; STEPHEN B. FARMER,

Defendants.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia, at Charleston. Charles H. Haden II, Chief District Judge. (CA-95-949-2)

Submitted: January 23, 1997 Decided: January 29, 1997

Before RUSSELL, WILKINS, and WILLIAMS, Circuit Judges.

Affirmed by unpublished per curiam opinion.

William E. Mattingly, Appellant Pro Se. Stephen Michael Horn, Assistant United States Attorney, Charleston, West Virginia, for Appellee.

Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit. See Local Rule 36(c).

PER CURIAM:

Appellant appeals the district court's order denying relief in his action pursuant to 18 U.S.C.A. §§ 1961-1968 (West 1984 & Supp. 1996), the Racketeering Influenced and Corrupt Organizations (RICO) Act. We have reviewed the record and the district court's opinion accepting the magistrate judge's recommendation and find no reversible error. Accordingly, we affirm on the reasoning of the district court. Mattingly v. Betts, No. CA-95-949-2 (S.D.W. Va. June 26, 1996). We dispense with oral argument because the facts and legal contentions are adequately presented in the materials before the court and argument would not aid the decisional process.

<u>AFFIRMED</u>